



**REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL AND THE COUNCIL
SITTING AS THE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY, DOWNTOWN
FOUNDATION, AND THE PUBLIC FINANCING AUTHORITY**

**Council Chamber in City Hall
68-700 Avenida Lalo Guerrero
Cathedral City, CA 92234**

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 27, 2005

The regular meeting of the City Council, also sitting as the Redevelopment Agency, the Downtown Foundation, and the Public Financing Authority was called to order by Mayor DeRosa in the Council Chambers on April 13, 2005 at 3:02 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Council Members/RDA Board/Downtown Foundation, and the Public Financing Authority Members England, Marchand, Mayor Pro Tem/Vice-Chairman Pettis, and Mayor/Chairman DeRosa

Absent: None

The regular meeting began at 6:29 p.m. and was opened by Mayor DeRosa. Reverend Stewart Collins for the Community Presbyterian Church in Cathedral City gave the invocation. The Cathedral City High School Air Force Junior ROTC Color Guard presented the colors and Mayor DeRosa led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

CLOSED SESSION AGENDA:

1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL- ANTICIPATED LITIGATION pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9, Subd. (b)
Number of Potential Cases: 2
2. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6
Agency Negotiator: Donald Bradley, City Manager
Represented Employees: 1) Cathedral City Police Fire Management Association (CCPFMA); 2) American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees.
3. CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATOR pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.8 (**Keith Scott**)
Property Location: 68770 First Street
APN# 687-201-001
Negotiating Parties: Redevelopment Agency and William Floyd
Property Owner: William Floyd

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Under Negotiation: Property Negotiations

4. CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATOR pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.8 (**Paul Shillcock**)
Property Location: North of Ramon Road, west of Date Palm Drive
APN# 678-330-041 & 043
Negotiating Parties: Wal Mart Real Estate Business Trust and B. Shlomi
Property Owner: Wal Mart Real Estate Trust
Under Negotiation: Property Negotiations
5. CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATOR pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.8 (**Keith Scott**)
Property Location: South of East Palm Canyon Drive, west of Perez Road extension, east of Canyon Plaza
APN# 687-030-010 and 074
Negotiating Parties: Redevelopment Agency and Desert Hills Mobile Home Park Inc.
Property Owner: Desert Hills Mobile Home Park
Under Negotiation: Property Negotiations
6. CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATOR pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.8 (**Warren Bradshaw**)
Property Location: 68-860 Cedar Road
APN# 680-401-010
Negotiating Parties: Redevelopment Agency and Vicenta & Guillermina Rodriguez
Property Owner: Redevelopment Agency
Under Negotiation: Property Disposition and Conditions
7. CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATOR pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.8 (**Warren Bradshaw**)
Property Location: 68-577 C Street APN# 687-215-011
Negotiating Parties: Redevelopment Agency and Building Horizons, Inc.
Property Owner: Redevelopment Agency
Under Negotiation: Property Disposition and Conditions
8. CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATOR pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.8 (**Paul Shillcock**)
Property Location: East of Van Fleet Avenue, South of East Palm Canyon Drive; APN #'s 687-207-005 (Sousa) and 687-223-016 (Sanchez); and 687-223-007 (Ruiz)
Negotiating Parties: Redevelopment Agency and BCN Developments, Inc.
Property Owners: Martin Sousa, et al; Jorge & Maria Sanchez and Jose Ruiz
Under Negotiation: Disposition of Property
9. CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATOR pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.8 (**Paul Shillcock**)
Property Location: East of the East Cathedral Canyon Storm Channel in Designated Open Space Area. APN #686-310-006; 686-

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232-034; 686-270-004; and 687-241-056

Negotiating Parties: Redevelopment Agency and Desert Cove Golf Resorts

Property Owners: City of Cathedral City and Cathedral City Redevelopment Agency

Under Negotiation: Disposition of Property

CLOSED SESSION ANNOUNCEMENTS:

City Attorney Charles Green advised there were no closed session announcements.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Bill Cohen – Cathedral City. Mr. Cohen's wife Pam took a nasty fall on Saturday, and is now in Monterey Palms Skilled Nursing Facility. He still needs volunteers for COPS and they are still selling T-shirts.

Robert Marchand – Cathedral City. Mr. Marchand is Chair of the Public Arts Commission, and was here to invite everyone to the Canyon Classics Concert here in Council Chambers tomorrow evening. They will play a new piece composed by one of their members. There will be a dedication of the new sculpture in our paseo on May 10th at 11:00 am. Also the first Friday concert will showcase the High School Jazz Band at 7:00 pm, a rock band at 8:00 pm, and another group at 9:00 pm.

Greg Wetmore – Rancho Mirage. Mr. Wetmore is the President/CEO of the Cathedral City Chamber of Commerce. Friday evening's Golden Apple Awards were a huge success. Also the BIA Luncheon yesterday was well attended and the BIA members were brought up to date on things happening in Cathedral City. The Chamber's regular Power Breakfast is scheduled for next Wednesday May 4th. There will be no mixer in May due to the Spotlight on West Valley Businesses on May 19th. He is working on a new business directory, and they have changed the annual Mayor's lunch from June to October – in conjunction with a celebration of the chamber's 65th Anniversary. There will be a ribbon cutting May 18 for R. K. Kitchen & Bath.

Connie Ahumada – Cathedral City. Ms. Ahumada is Manager of Marie's Mobil Home Park and is also a resident. She spoke about multiple code violations that the city has cited the park's owner and advised the city that they, the residents, wanted the city to help them, and not to stand in the way. She felt the city needed to take a little credit for the problems they had in their park. She stated she was not here on behalf of the park's owner, but on behalf of the residents in the park.

Mayor DeRosa seeing no one else wishing to speak closed Public Comments.

AGENDA FINALIZATION

Item 3 on the Consent Agenda will be pulled and scheduled at a later date, Item 7 on the Legislative Agenda will be continued to May 11th City Council Meeting

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SCHOOL REPORTS

Melissa Torres advised that Stephanie Price was not here tonight as she is receiving a scholarship. The students are in a whirl of activities and Scholarship night is May 17th. They had a very successful play, and the AVID class is taking shape for next year.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Mayor Pro Tem Pettis advised that he had attended the Convention and Visitors Authority for the last couple of meetings, sitting in for the Mayor while she was out of town on City business. He advised that the Convention and Visitors Authority has hired the law firm of Covington and Crow, specifically Sam Crow, as legal counsel. Also, today, the CVA board authorized staff to enter into negotiations to hire Ted Sprague as Interim CEO/President of the Authority, he is past President of Phoenix Visitors Authority and most recently with the Atlanta Visitors Authority. The League of Cities is about to issue their 2005 Helen Putman Award for excellence, they are looking for members of council to serve on the selection jury. On May 4 & 5 the Southern California Association of Governments will be holding their General Assembly Meeting, lots of opportunity for networking at the L.A. Athletic Club.

Council Member England. He attended the Golden Apple Awards honoring all three School Districts and it was an absolute great event. He attended the HCRC meeting and they have identified their goals for 2005/2006 and among those goals are the subjects of Childhood Obesity Awareness Camp, facilitation for info on a homeless facility, valley wide assessment for Women and Children, continuous support of services for food banks, Coachella Valley Social Services Hot Line "211" which will serve as a clearing house for information on services.

Council Member Marchand. Mr. Marchand asked that we adjourn tonight in memory of the 1600 American troops who have died in Iraq. He wants us to remember that there are people in harms way, they are our neighbors, friend, relatives.

Mayor DeRosa. Reminded the audience that there is a brochure on Council protocol in the wall racks in the lobby, please take one with you. The Golden Apple Awards were a huge success and she encourages the Chamber to continue this even. She attended the Passing Review Parade at the Air Museum where all Schools ROTC's (Cathedral City, Desert Hot Springs, and Palm Springs) participated. Cathedral City came in second. Congratulations. Mayor DeRosa said that at 6:00 pm tomorrow there was to be an opening of stores in the new downtown complex by the developer. She said the BIA luncheon yesterday was a great meeting with so much information. She thanked all staff – Julie, Brad, Joe Richards, Charlene. The Mayor announced the third community meeting to be held at Rio Vista School, where staff will be available to answer questions and give an update on their departments and activities.

MINUTES

No minutes to approve at this meeting.

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PRESENTATIONS & PROCLAMATIONS

Mayor DeRosa and Council Members presented a Proclamation to Elizabeth Stevenson, a representative from the Mental Health Association declaring the month of May as Mental Health Month. Ms. Stevenson made a few remarks and thanks the Mayor and Council.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Council Member Marchand moved approval of item 1, 2, 4, and 5 on the Consent Agenda, motion seconded by Council Member England, motion carried 4-0.

1. Approved a resolution of the City Council for the City of Cathedral City, authorizing and directing Finance department staff to destroy specified records pursuant to the City's retention schedule in accordance with previously approved Resolution No. 2003-57 **by Resolution No. 2005-33..**
2. Approved the City's Investment Policy **by Minute Order # 3882, Minute Order # DT-10 and Minute Order # PFA-4.**
3. Receive and file Cathedral City Boys and Girls Club quarterly report report relative to fiscal year 04-05 Community Service Provider Agreement.

This item to be rescheduled to a future Council Meeting.

4. Approved a resolution of the City Council for the City of Cathedral City, authorizing submittal of a grant application to the California Department of Parks and Recreation for the Land and Water Conservation Fund **by Resolution No. 2005-34.**
5. Authorized staff to execute a service provider agreement with Kiley Company to provide appraisal services required for the Cove Improvement District A.D. 2004-02 bond issuance **by Minute Order # 3884**

PUBLIC HEARING

6. Joint Public Hearing between the City of Cathedral City and the Redevelopment Agency for the disposition of real property acquired by the Agency with Tax Increment funds to Vicenta Rodriguez, US One Development) for the purpose of constructing affordable single-family owner-occupied homes for low or very low income families and the elimination of blight.

There was a report from Housing Manager Warren Bradshaw. There were no questions from Council.

Public Comments opened and closed without comment.

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Council Member Marchand moved approval of the Resolutions, motion seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Pettis, motion carried 4-0 **by Resolution No. 2005-35 and Resolution No. R-410.**

LEGISLATIVE ACTION(S)

7. Approval of Redevelopment Agency resolutions, approving the Relocation Plan and Replacement Housing Plan for the Desert Hills Mobile Home Park Project.

Mayor DeRosa advise that this item is being continued to City Council Meeting on May 11th. Public Comments were opened and closed without comment.

8. Adopt proposed resolution of the City Council for the City of Cathedral City, amending the 2004-2005 adopted operating budget.

There was a report by Tami Scott, Finance Director. This is a quarterly review of the third quarter of the budget. Ms. Scott explained in detail the report before the Council. Council Member Marchand asked Ms. Scott to explain what is meant by TUMF fees. TUMF stands for Transportation Uniform Mitigation Fees.

Council Member Marchand thanks the Finance Director and her staff for the work that has been put into this report. Ms. Scott answered several questions.

Mayor DeRosa opened the floor to Public Comments.

Gene Touchet – Cathedral City. Mr. Touchet made comments about the property Taxes of \$1,350,000 and just wanted to point out that this figure is not the value of the property in the city, but the taxes, He feels this needs to be stressed over and over again.

Council Member Marchand moved approval of **Resolution No. 2005-36.** Motion seconded by Council Member England, motion carried 4-0.

9. Approve recommendation from the Parks and Recreation Commission for Dr. Craig Kelsey to conduct community focus groups. ***(Report for this item will be included under separate cover).***

Deputy City Manager Julie Baumer recognized Ted Barnes who serves on the Parks and Recreation Commission and on the sub-committee that has been working with the Coachella Valley Parks and Recreation District. Mr. Barnes offered some very positive input on this subject. He's recommending the Council's approval. Mayor Pro Tem Pettis Had a question about who would be paying for Dr. Kelsey's expenses. Deputy City Manager Baumer replied that the city would pay the air fare and lodging for this gentleman. There is not charge for his services. Ms. Baumer offered some more background information on this subject.

Public Comments opened and closed without comment.

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Mayor Pro Tem Pettis moved approval of this item, motion seconded by Council Member England. Motion carried 4-0 **by Minute Order # 3885.**

ADJOURNMENT:

Mayor DeRosa hearing no other business to come before Council, wished Pam Cohen a speedy recovery and adjourned the meeting at 7:42 pm as Council Member Marchand requested "in memory of the 1600 troops who have lost their lives in Iraq".

Pat Hammers, CMC
City Clerk